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A CURIOUS FISH.

Dealers at T Wharf Never Saw One Just Like It Before.

In a lot of bonita that came up to T wharf, Boston, from Cape Cod yesterday morning was a strange fish that no one at the wharf recognized. The fish was a young one, and measured a little more than two feet in length. In color it resembles a swordfish, but the shape, fins and tail are not at all like those of the swordfish.

The head of the fish is the most peculiar part of it. It is flat on the top, and on the under part the gills are similar to those of the swordfish. The under jaw, however, is like that of a cod, and projects a half inch beyond the upper one. The flat head is corrugated, and formed into a sort of sucker provided by nature to hold the fish under rocks. The fish weighed about three pounds, and when the sucker was wet and pressed against a flat surface it required all the strength of a strong man to release it.

The fish came to John Burns & Co. Mr. Burns, Sr., is one of the oldest men in the fish business at T wharf, but in his 50 years of business he had never seen a fish like it, nor had others.

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Good Stock.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Lemuel E. Spinney, stocked \$2800 as the result of her recent cod and halibut trip, the crew sharing \$55.46 clear.

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Fine Share.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, Capt. William Enos, made a fine stock on her recent swordfish trip. She had 110 fish and the crew shared \$100 each.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Flirt, via Boston.  
Sch. Ralph Russell, Rips, 55,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Clintonia, Rips, 5000 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Romance, Rips, 5000 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges, 26,000 lbs. salt cod.

Today's Fish Market.

Round pollock, .75 cts. per cwt.; gutted 80 cents.  
Salt bank cod, large \$3.75, mediums, \$3.  
Salt Rips, cod, large, \$4.00, mediums, \$3.15; snapper \$2.  
Salt Georges cod, large \$4.25, mediums, \$3.25.  
Salt bank dory handline cod, \$3.87 1-2 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.  
Grand Bank fresh cod, \$2.00 per cwt. for large, \$1.60 for mediums.  
Bank halibut 6 cts. per lb. for white and 4 cts. for gray.  
Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50.  
Cape Shore salt mackerel, \$9.50 per bbl.  
Fresh mackerel, 14 cts. each for large and 6 cents for mediums.  
Rips salt mackerel, \$9.50 per bbl.  
Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2; mediums, \$1.50; Cape North cod, large, \$1.90; medium, \$1.45; Peak cod large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.37 1-2; cusk, \$1.60; haddock, \$1.00; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, .75 to 80 cts.  
Salt medium mackerel, \$11 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, 12,000 fresh medium mackerel.  
Sch. Grayling, 10,000 fresh medium mackerel.  
Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, 12,000 fresh medium mackerel.  
Sch. Ingomar, 10,000 fresh medium mackerel.  
Sch. Pontiac, 4500 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 3000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 6000 pollock.  
Sch. Valentina, 57 swordfish.  
Sch. M. Madeleine, 50 swordfish.  
Sch. Lafayette, 29 swordfish.  
Sch. Freedom.  
Sch. Charles A. Dyer, 50 bbls. bluebacks.  
Sch. Mattakesett, 8500 haddock, 1800 cod.  
Sch. Flavilla, 17,000 cod.  
Sch. Nettie Franklin, 5000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 14,000 pollock.  
Sch. Vesta, 2000 haddock, 2500 cod, 800 hake.

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Sch. Louisa R. Sylva, 6000 haddock, 27,000 cod, 10,000 hake.  
Haddock, \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.25; market cod, \$1.50 to \$1.75; hake, \$1; pollock, \$1; fresh mackerel 12 cts. each for large and 7 cts. each for medium; swordfish, 9 cts. per lb.

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MODUS VIVENDI

Will Again Be in Force at Newfoundland Next Season.

State Department Made Formal Announcement Yesterday.

A Washington, D. C., dispatch of yesterday says:  
"To guard against friction pending a settlement before The Hague tribunal of the respective rights of American fishermen in Newfoundland waters, the department of state yesterday reached an agreement with the British foreign office for an extension of the present modus vivendi, governing the fisheries, to cover the approaching fishing season.

By this means friction over the acts of American fishermen in Newfoundland waters will be avoided pending a settlement of the whole question before The Hague tribunal. None of the rights of the subjects of either government are impaired by this action.

A distinct advantage is to be found in the continuation at this time of last year's modus vivendi, because it is anticipatory of the fishing season which begins in August and hence removes ground for serious complications which are constantly apt to arise in the absence of any well-defined understanding and agreement covering the fisheries.

Last year's modus was not ratified until September 4, after a long correspondence between the state department and the foreign office at London, and there always was fear that some clash would occur pending its ratification. It is understood that the modus extended by Mr. Reid and the British foreign office is in precisely the same terms as that of last year.

That instrument worked apparently very satisfactorily and the season closed without any serious hitch between American fishermen and Newfoundland authorities. There have always been many difficulties to overcome by the state department in dealing with the fisheries question, partly because of the insistence of the Newfoundlanders on their right to legislate locally as to the fisheries, so long as such legislation did not in terms discriminate against Americans and their contention that they are not thereby infringing the treaty rights of Americans.

Then there was the matter of the use of purse seine and the opposition by Newfoundland last year to the renewal of that paragraph of the modus vivendi of the previous season which legalized the enlistment of the Newfoundland fishermen as members of the crews of American fishing smacks. All of the differences were satisfactorily adjusted, however, through mutual concessions and the troublesome question was settled for the time being.

Prof. A. B. Alexander of the United States fish commission following his practice for several years, will soon go on the government vessel Potomac to the Bay of Islands on the west coast of Newfoundland to advise American fishermen of their rights, so as to obviate any clash or friction with local Newfoundland officials.

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FOUR MORE FARES.

Vessels Still Making Mackerel Catches on the Rips.

Three more of the mackerel seining fleet arrived at T wharf, Boston, yesterday afternoon, sch. Ralph L. Hall, Capt. Frank H. Hall, with 6000 large fresh mackerel, sch. Aloha, Capt. John McInnis, with 10,000 large fresh mackerel and 12 barrel of salt mackerel, and sch. Electric Flash, Capt. William Bissert, with 5000 fresh medium mackerel and 30 barrels of salt mackerel. This morning sch. Fannie E. Prescott, Capt. Thomas Downey, is there with 5000 fresh large and medium mackerel.

The catch of salt mackerel to date is 15,405 barrels against 17,121 barrels at this time last year.

The catch of fresh mackerel to date is 42,634 barrels against 42,416 barrels at this time last year.

Imports of fresh mackerel to date are 5120 barrels against 4947 barrels at this time last year.

Imports of new salt mackerel to date 8302 barrels against 1049 barrels at this time last year.

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Rips Cod Advance.

Rips or "drift" salt cod advanced in prices this morning, the fare of sch. Rose Standish, from Georges, selling to Cunningham & Thompson at \$4.10 per hundred weight for large and \$3.25 for mediums.

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Sch. Maud F. Silva, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Rose Standish, Rips, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Lawrence Murdock, Georges, 7000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Ralph L. Hall, via Boston, 5 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Susan and Mary, 110,000 lbs. fresh fish, 25,000 lbs. salt cod, 1000 lbs. halibut.

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Sch. Ralph L. Hall, 6000 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Aloha, 10,000 large fresh mackerel, 12 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Electric Flash, 5000 fresh medium mackerel, 30 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, 5000 fresh large and medium mackerel.  
Sch. Bessie, 1800 haddock, 400 cod.  
Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., 1000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 2000 pollock.  
Sch. Mary C. Santos, 6000 haddock 36,000 cod, 14,000 pollock.  
Sch. Maxwell, 17 swordfish.  
Sch. Mary E. Sennett, 60 swordfish.  
Sch. Minerva, 64 swordfish.  
Haddock, \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.35; market cod, \$1.50; pollock, 80 cts.; fresh mackerel, large, 14 1-2 cts. each, medium, 6 cts. each.

July 27.

GOOD FISHING.

Sch. Muriel M. Young Does Well on Caplin Baiting.

The Lunenburg banker, Muriel M. Young, Captain Hemmelman, arrived at St. John's, recently, expecting to get her two men who strayed away from her while running their trawls on the banks a week ago last Wednesday, but the men had been landed and proceeded home by steamer before their vessel got there.

The Muriel M. Young is on her second trip, having landed 1300 quintals at her home port the first week of June, and has 1200 quintals on board now on three baitings of caplin. This makes her high liner of her fleet.

Forty-five thousand squid were taken at Cape Broyle, and 15,000 more will be taken before she leaves for the banks again. She fished with seven dories, but will resume the voyage with six now.

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NO MACKEREL ARRIVALS.

But Good Weather of Today May Result in Taking Schools.

There are no arrivals of fresh mackerel here or at Boston today. The northeaster of Friday and Saturday drove the most of the fleet to harbor at Provincetown and some of them sailed again yesterday.

Sch. Cynthia landed 2500 large fresh mackerel at Provincetown on Saturday.

Two seiners, schs. Independence II. and Corsair are at this port today with small lots of salt mackerel.

Mackerel are fair at Alberton, P. E. I. Three traps at Lunenburg, N. S., took 600 mackerel on Friday.



# EVERYTHING BUT MACKEREL.

Week Started in with Extra  
Fine Fish Receipts.

## THREE SALT BANKERS ARRIVE.

Halibuters and Shackers and Rippers  
Bring Good Fares.

Even though there are no fresh mackerel in port, this is a pretty good fish day, both at this port and at Boston.

At this port, up to 10 o'clock, 17 vessels had arrived since last report, while there are 25 at Boston, so that the receipts aggregate a handsome total, about all ground fish.

At Boston, seven swordfish fares with 245 fish, selling at eight cents per pound. There are also a few swordfish here.

The leading item at this port today is salt cod, there being three of the salt bank fleet in, schs. Senator Gardner, W. E. Morrissey and Harry A. Nickerson each with about 25,000 pounds of salt fish. These vessels all went away last March and are home in plenty of time to go on second trips. Sch. Senator Gardner on her last baiting had a good try on the Labrador coast, but did not find fish any where near as plenty as last season.

Next to the salt bankers, the halibuters, "straight" and "Georges," have the call, with about 132,000 pounds, beside a miscellaneous lot of shack, cusk and hake, and some salt fish.

Sch. Vera, Capt. Manuel Gracia, is the top liner with somewhere in the neighborhood of 50,000 pounds. She fished on Bacalieu and Capt. Gracia brings word of the ditched halibuters. In latitude 53.30, he went on board sch. Fannie A. Smith, Capt. Joseph Bonia. The vessel had only been a short time on the ground and had 10,000 pounds of ditched halibut. He also saw in latitude 54, schs. Oregon, and Arbutus of the ditchers, each with 45,000 pounds of ditched halibut, and heard from sch. Admiral Dewey with 50,000 pounds of ditchers.

Sch. Vera drove up farther to the northward, to latitude 54.46, where she secured her trip, getting 17,000 pounds the first haul. Capt. Gracia reports a noticeable absence of the usual strong tide and found no field ice, seeing only half a dozen bergs the whole trip and having pretty good weather except for fog.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream, which arrived from Quero bank, has a nice trip of 25,000 pounds of halibut and 30,000 pounds of salt cod. Capt. Stream saw the salt banking sch. Arethusa and Mabel D. Hines, who were finding poor fishing. The former left and went up around Sable island, while the latter was going to have a few more sets and then come home.

Sch. Paragon, Capt. William Hermon, has one of his usual fine fares, having 75,000 pounds of fresh fish, 18,000 pounds of halibut, a few salt fish and some swordfish. He fished on LeHave bank, as did sch. Selma, Capt. Charles Colson, who also has a nice fare of 50,000 pounds of fresh fish, 16,000 pounds of halibut and 6000 pounds of salt cod.

Capt. Colson reports speaking schs. Agnes and Olga there, also that the latter picked up two of the crew of sch. Senator, who were astray and put them on board sch. Selma to bring home. Soon after sch. Selma saw sch. Senator and transferred the men to their own craft.

Sch. Senator, Capt. George Marr, also came in this forenoon with a good fare, being only two weeks gone, 18,000 pounds of halibut, 35,000 pounds of shack and a few salt fish.

Sch. Kineo, Capt. John Stream, is in port from Georges with a good trip, Capt. Stream reports that the usual school of big cusk seems to have given Georges the go by thus far this season.

Sch. Georgianna, Capt. Thomas McComisky, comes from LeHave bank and has a slick fare, 160,000 pounds of fresh fish and 4000 pounds of halibut.

Of the "Rippers," sch. E. C. Hussey, Capt. Clifford Hopkins, has the banner fare, 58,000 pounds of salt cod, while schs. Volant, James R. Clark and Rebecca, all have fine fares, around 45,000 pounds.

At Boston, the vessels that have been fishing off Chatham and in the channel have snug trips of from 40,000 to 60,000 pounds each. The steam trawler Spray has 70,000 pounds and sch. Vanessa 65,000 pounds, mostly haddock. Sch. Robert and Arthur is also there with 68,000 pounds of fresh fish.

Taking it all in all, it is a pretty fine fish day all around the lot, excepting that fresh mackerel are conspicuous by their absence.

## LOST IN THE FOG.

One of Crew of Sch. Mildred Robinson Missing on Quero Bank.

Sch. Titania at North Sydney with 125,000 Pounds Salt Cod.

Under the North Sydney, C. B., items in the Halifax Herald of yesterday, there appears the following:

"Yesterday the Gloucester schooner Titania, Capt. Vale, sailed for the banks, where she will complete her trip. On board the vessel are 125,000 pounds of fish, the result of four weeks fishing, which makes the Titania the high-liner considering the period she was out.

"Capt. Vale is probably one of the most successful skippers sailing out of Gloucester, and is the only Irish-born captain in the whole fleet. He it was who sailed sixteen years ago from Boston to Iceland in sch. Edith M. Hall, made the run of 2750 miles in the phenomenal time of 13 days, a feat that has never been equaled before or since, and which made Capt. Vale the most talked of man at that time in the fishing world.

"Another fisherman is reported lost from the American fleet. Captain Vale who arrived here last week and sailed yesterday, told the Herald that before leaving Quero bank he boarded the Boston schooner Mildred Robinson, Capt. Louis Devine, when he learned that on the 11th of July one of the crew of the Robinson strayed from his vessel in a dense fog and was never heard from.

"Capt. Devine sent out searchers for the missing man, and hoisted his colors to the rest of the American fleet, but as the signal was not responded to, all hope of seeing the fishermen has been abandoned."

## NOVA SCOTIA NOTES.

### Fishing Items of Interest From the Big Peninsula.

The Riverport, N. S., banking fleet report, to date, as follows: Alma Nelson, Backman, 700 qtls.; Ambition, Himmelman, 800 qtls.; Oregon, Creaser, 600 qtls.; Lucania, Creaser, 600 qtls.; Glyndon, Cook, 450, qtls.; Campania, Himmelman, 500 qtls.; Glenwood, Backman, 500 qtls.; Hiawatha, Cook, 450 qtls.; (one baiting); James A. McLean, Zinec, 300 qtls.

A Lunenburg schooner recently took 450 quintals of fish off one baiting. The usual catch is from 150 to 300 quintals.

The latest reports of the Lunenburg summer fishing fleet show good fares. The following schooners have been heard from: Vivian B. Walters, Walters, 700 qtls.; Douglas Adams, Zinec, 1200 qtls.; Mattawa, Corkum, 800 qtls.; Earl Grey, Corkum, 800 qtls.; Muriel M. Young, Himmelman, 1200 qtls.; Eva June, Schnare, 500 qtls.; Lila B. Hirtel, Hirtel, 900 qtls.;

Dan Greek and Stannage Knickle are home. They belong to the fishing schooner Muriel M. Young and got astray from their vessel, which is now on the banks. They were picked up and landed at Halifax by a steamer.

## SALT BANKERS HOME.

Schs. Senator Gardner and W. E. Morrissey Have Good Trips.

Schs. Senator Gardner, Capt. Vincent Nelson and W. E. Morrissey, Capt. Hiram Forbes, of the salt bank fleet, are home today with good fares, about 250,000 pounds each, of salt cod.

## AT THE MAGDALENES.

Fair Catches of Mackerel Are Now Being Made.

Fair catches of mackerel are now being made at the Magdalene Islands and the traps at Port Malcolm are also taking a few.

## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

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Sch. Pauline, Rips, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Paragon, Le Have Bank, 18,000 lbs. halibut, 75,000 lbs. fresh fish, 2000 lbs. salt cod, 6 swordfish.  
Sch. Selma, Le Have Bank, 16,000 lbs. halibut, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish, 6000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Senator Gardner, salt banking, 250,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. W. E. Morrissey, salt banking, 250,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Georgianna, Le Have Bank, 150,000 lbs. fresh fish, 4000 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. E. C. Hussey, Rips, 58,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Vera, Bacalieu bank, 50,000 lbs. halibut, 3000 lbs. ditched halibut.  
Sch. Kineo, Georges, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish, 12,000 lbs. salt cod, 5000 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Rebecca, Rips, 45,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. James R. Clark, Rips, 45,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Waldo L. Stream, ———, 25,000 lbs. halibut, 30,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Independence II., seining, 5 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Corsair, seining, 35 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Senator, Le Have Bank, 18,000 lbs. halibut, 35,000 lbs. fresh fish, 3000 lbs. salt fish.  
Sch. Volant, Rips.  
Sch. Harry A. Nickerson, salt banking, 250,000 lbs. salt cod.

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### Boston.

Steamer Spray 65,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 4000 hake.  
Sch. Vanessa, 45,000 haddock, 19,000 cod.  
Sch. Hortense, 15,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 10,000 pollock.  
Sch. William A. Morse, 7000 haddock, 37,000 cod, 15,000 pollock.  
Sch. Maxwell, 15 swordfish.  
Sch. James and Esther, 3000 haddock, 33,000 cod.  
Sch. Buema, 25,000 cod.  
Sch. Minerva, 64 swordfish.  
Sch. Julietta, 23 swordfish.  
Sch. Mary E. Sennett, 60 swordfish.  
Sch. Philip P. Manta, 6000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 20,000 pollock.  
Sch. Mattie D. Brundage, 5000 haddock, 20,000 cod.  
Sch. Jesie Costa, 20,000 haddock, 50,000 cod, 10,000 pollock.  
Sch. Robert and Arthur, 24,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 24,000 hake.  
Sch. Genesta, 9000 haddock, 19,000 cod, 10,000 pollock.  
Sch. Louise C. Cabral, 5000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 5000 pollock.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, 12,000 haddock, 35,000 cod, 10,000 pollock.  
Sch. Seacomet, 12,000 haddock, 35,000 cod, 3000 pollock.  
Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 2500 haddock, 17,000 cod, 1000 pollock.  
Sch. Laura Enos, 15,000 cod, 1000 pollock.  
Sch. Fanny Reed, 33 swordfish.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 20,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 1000 pollock.  
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 52 swordfish.  
Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 13 swordfish.  
Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 3200 haddock 200 cod.  
Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2.75; large cod, \$2.50; market cod, \$1.50 to \$1.75; hake, \$1.15 to \$2.25; pollock, \$1 to \$1.25; swordfish, 8 cts. per lb.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Dictator and Oliver F. Kilham were at Liverpool, N. S., Friday.  
Sch. Moanan was at Canso, N. S., Friday.